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# 2024 UNITAR Training Programme on Leave no one behind: Rapid response to climate crises through Early Warning Systems

**Shimanami Collective  
2024 - 2025**

“**Leave No One Behind: Rapid Response to Climate Crises through Early Warning Systems**” will equip individuals and communities in the Pacific island countries with the knowledge and skills to effectively disseminate, monitor, analyse and respond to early warning signals for climate-related hazards and extreme-weather events.

The programme will run in two phases from July – November 2024. Through the course, you will engage in online courses, workshops, and coaching and mentoring sessions in key topics related to early warning systems. Top-performers will be invited to come together for an in-person workshop in Japan.

The programme will be delivered in **English**. You will receive a UNITAR certificate of completion if you complete the course and meet minimum criteria.

The programme is free for participants and conducted by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) with the financial support of the Government and the People of Japan.

## How to Apply

Please access and complete the **application form** from the below link or scan the QR code.

UNITAR will inform you if you are selected to participate in the programme.

<https://forms.office.com/e/fNmcGd90bb>



## Who Is Eligible?

The programme is open to **motivated individuals from the government, private sector and civil society organizations**, who are:

- Eager to learn about new technologies, early warning systems (EWS) and its applications for disaster risk reduction
- Passionate about climate change and its impact on communities
- Keen to succeed and make a positive impact on their communities
- Proficient in the English language
- Computer literate with access to the internet
- Committed to completing the programme

The countries included in this programme are:

**Pacific Islands Countries:** Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Nauru, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu

## What Is The Programme Structure?

The programme will run in two phases:

For **Phase I, 180 motivated leaders from the government, civil and private sectors** will enrol in a self-paced online course to study general topics relating to early warning systems. Participants will also join webinars and have access to supplemental resources. Each participant will develop a project plan.

In **Phase II, 30 of the top-performing participants will be selected for an in-depth, face to face workshop in Japan**. The participants will be coached to develop a group country presentation, where they will fine-tune their individual plans, and will present them to peers and experts at the end of Phase II. These 30 participants will be recognized as our “Shimanami Masterminds”.



## What Will You Learn?

“Leave No One Behind: Rapid Response to Climate Crises through Early Warning Systems” aims to provide individuals and communities in the Pacific Island countries with the knowledge and skills to effectively disseminate, monitor, analyse and respond to early warning signals for climate-related hazards and extreme-weather events.

By promoting more reliable and timely climate information and the widespread adoption of multi-hazard early warning systems, this programme will build resilience in the Pacific and empower people at risk to take timely and appropriate actions to mitigate risks and reduce the impact of disasters. Ultimately, it will help save lives and reduce the negative social and economic impact of climate-related hazards. Participants will:

- Develop an appreciation for EWS for resilience
- Understand the different components and technologies for EWS
- Develop an increased understanding of multi-hazard EWS
- Develop an appreciation for Indigenous and scientific knowledge, and
- Learn through exposure to the technological advancements and research in the area of EWS in Japan.



## What Is The Programme Schedule?

Note: This schedule is tentative and subject to change

The training programme will take place in two phases from **July - November 2024**. The programme will launch online on **9 July 2024**. You will be expected to dedicate approximately **2 – 4 hours per week** to fully take part in the programme.

<b>June 2024</b>	Initiation	Call for nominations/applications
<b>July-September 2024</b>	Phase I	Online training
<b>November 2024</b>	Phase II	In-person workshops in Japan

### Call for Nominations/Applications



- Social media
- Media announcements
- Local partner communications

June 2024

### Training Phase I – “Future Forecast: Fundamentals of Early Warning”



- 180 participants (30 participants from each country)
- Asynchronous online learning
- Expert-led online training with coaching support
- Each participant develops their project plan that contributes to solving real problems related to early warning systems
- Peers/experts review the self-led project plans

Jul-Sep 2024

**Top 30 performers** from Training Phase I invited to join phase II based on the merit of their project plan

### Training Phase II – “Shimanami Masterminds”



- Activity to be held in Japan
- Each participant develops a presentation to effectively enhance the communication of early warning systems in their country and community
- Participants trained to effectively coach others within their communities on early warning systems

Nov 2024



## About UNITAR

United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) was established in 1963 as an autonomous body within the United Nations and is headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland. As a training arm of the United Nations system, UNITAR provides innovative learning solutions to individuals, organizations and institutions to enhance global decision-making and support country-level action for shaping a better future. UNITAR designs and conducts some 500 different global training activities per year for more than 133,000 participants. Our alumni include diplomats and other government officials, non-governmental representatives, and local authorities.

The Division for Prosperity is one of the eight divisions of UNITAR and consists of the Trade and Finance Programme Unit and the Hiroshima Office. We offer cutting-edge training and learning opportunities that promote inclusive and sustainable economic growth.

UNITAR Prosperity has extensive expertise in developing and delivering training on entrepreneurship and leadership in conflict and post-conflict countries. Empowering leaders in marginalized communities for many years, the Division has a unique understanding of the needs of participants as they work towards peace and stability.

### Contact

For queries and questions regarding the programme, please contact us at [drr-prosperity@unitar](mailto:drr-prosperity@unitar).

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# 500

 Trainings

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500 different trainings are conducted worldwide each year.

# 50+

 Experience

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Established in 1963, UNITAR has more than 50 years of experience in diplomatic training.

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More than 80,000 participants took part in UNITAR